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PRESS RELEASE

At approximately 15:40 hours on Friday, August 18, 2017, a victim was reported calling for help in the Black River near the gas pipeline that crosses the river between Mill and Arch Streets.

When firefighters arrived, they found the victim clinging to a rock, and very tired from battling the swift current.

Firefighters along with a Police Officer gained access to the victim by utilizing throw bags to get a rope to the victim. As well as climbing down to the river bank where a second throw bag was used to bring the victim to shore.

The victim was evaluated by Guilfoyle ambulance and stated that she had slipped off a rock and was in the water for approximately 30 minutes.

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